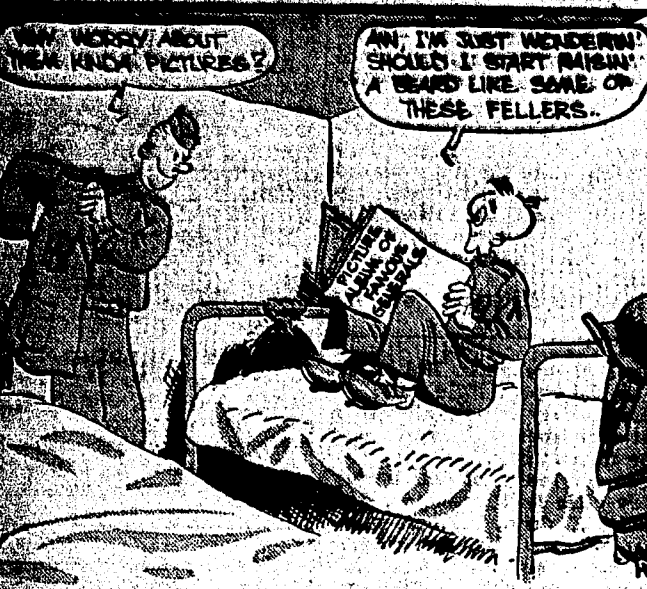






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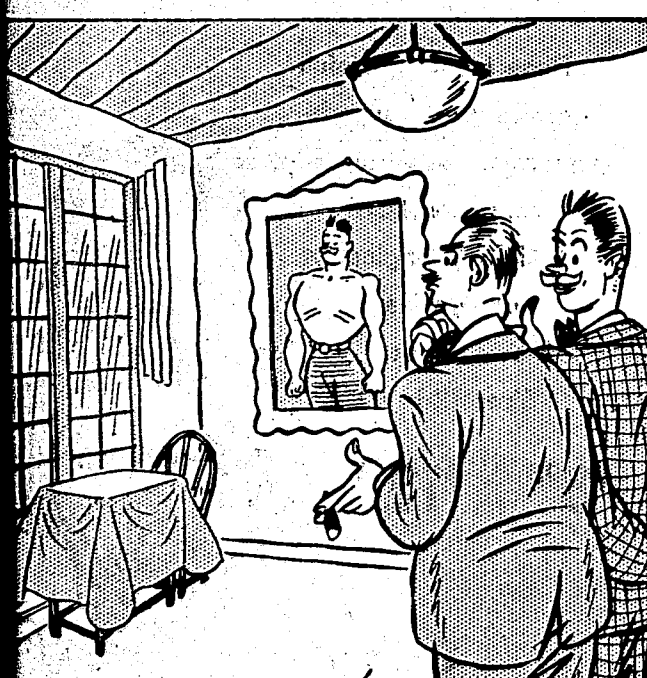
DEAR MAM—  
THIS IS A GRAND SPOT. ITS PROBABLY THE BIGGEST INFANTRY SCHOOL IN THE COUNTRY. THEY SAY PRACTICALLY EVERY GENERAL IN THE ARMY HAS HAD TRAINING AT FT BENNING.

YOUR SON  
JOHN R. WILSON

By Galtbreith



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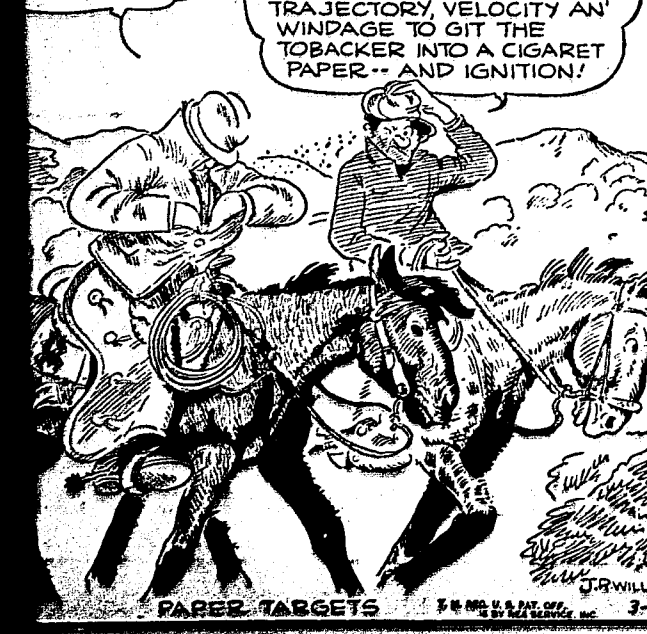


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out on a big bowl of Wheat- spooning up real whole grain nutri- famous "second helping" ishment, too. Sit down to milk, mess lots of exercise for fruits and Wheaties. "Breakfast of od right arm. And you'll be Champions!" —tomorrow morning.

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By J. R. Williams



PARADE TARGETS

## MODEST MAIDENS

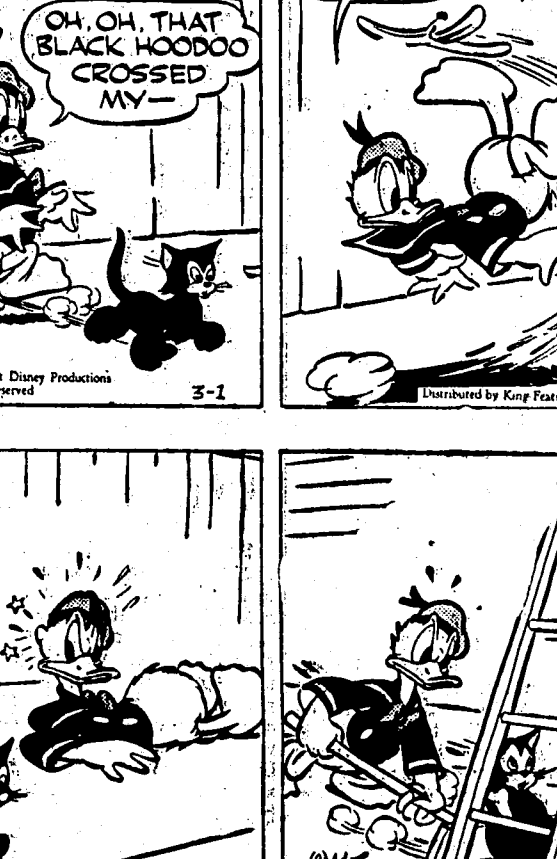
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Just a moment, I'll see if she's in."

Donald Duck

By Walt Disney



Popeye

Thimble Theater



Our Boarding House

With Major Hoople



GO BACK IN, BAXTER, YOU LOSE



THANK YOU, DEAR



SWELL! I'D BETTER STARTED WHEN I WAS A LITTLE BOY. I'D BETTER STARTED WHEN I WAS A LITTLE BOY. I'D BETTER STARTED WHEN I WAS A LITTLE BOY.

SO KICK BACK LARD'S FOUR BITS UNLESS YOU WANT TO DARN YOUR OWN MEATS

IT'S A WOMAN'S WORLD!

YOU F

HERE'S A PAIR OF OLD SHOES FOR YOU, HENRY!

BEST SHOE SHINE IN TOWN 10¢

NO JOB REFUSED!

ALL RIGHT, ALLEW, BUT I'M NOT GOING TO START MARCHING!

WELL, GET UP AND START MARCHING!

LOOK! YOU GOT AWAY WITH IT! ME ON THE MARCH!

SURE IT'S LEMMY WHO SHOULD KNOW THAT I'M KING OF THE MARCH!

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## Your Income Tax

(Editor's note: This is the sixth of 12 stories explaining how to do what about his income taxes.)

Washington, March 1.—(AP)—Watch your exemptions for dependents — and you may save money in filing your 1944 income tax return. There's been a change in the law on dependents.

Last year you could not claim as a dependent anyone over 18, no matter how closely related, who was capable of self-support.

Now you can claim as a dependent any close relative of any age — whether capable of self-support or not — who received more than half his support from you and whose income was less than \$500.

You chop a surtax exemption of \$500 off your income for each dependent. The meaning and working of the surtax exemption will be explained here later.

You cannot claim as dependent any person — even though receiving more than half his support from you — who had income of \$500 or over. Such a person would have to file his own return.

If a child was born to you any time in 1944 or a person dependent upon you died anytime in 1944, you can claim him as a dependent for the full year.

To be a dependent a person must be related to you in this way: Your child or his descendants; your grandchild; a stepchild but not his descendants; a legally adopted child; a brother, sister, step-brother, step-sister, your parent, grandparent or other ancestor your stepfather, stepmother, uncle, aunt, nephew, niece and your in-laws; father-in-law, mother-in-law, son-in-law or daughter-in-law.

You get the same kind of surtax exemption for a wife if she has no income — or if she has income and a joint return with you — as you do for a dependent, although she's never classed as a dependent.

Everyone filing a return is entitled to a \$500 surtax exemption for himself, another \$500 for his wife if she had no income or is filing a joint return, and \$500 for each dependent.

But everyone is entitled to only a \$500 surtax exemption for himself in the case of a wife with no income — and no exemption for any dependent.

The normal tax is a flat 3 per cent on taxable income but the surtax is a flat 20 per cent on taxable income up to \$2,000 and then rises 91 1/2 per cent on the highest income.

Here's an example of what all this means and how it works. Smith, married, has two children, a dependent brother and two dependent parents. His income was \$6,000. His deductions for charitable contributions and medical expense were \$500.

He subtracts the \$500 deduction from the \$6,000 income to get his taxable income of \$5,500. From that he subtracts his 3 surtax exemptions each at \$500 makes \$3,500 — and gets what is called his surtax net income: \$2,000.

Since his surtax net income is not over \$2,000, he can apply the 20 per cent surtax to it and finds his surtax is \$400.

Now — he takes that same net income of \$5,500 to find his normal tax. From that \$5,500 net income explained above — he cannot subtract his 7 surtax exemptions because he's working on his normal tax. But he can subtract his normal tax exemption of \$500 which every taxpayer gets. That leaves him \$5,000, which is called his normal net income.

He applies his normal 3 per cent tax to that normal net income of \$5,000 and finds his normal tax is \$150.

Then he adds his surtax of \$400 to his normal tax of \$150 and gets the total tax he owes the government: \$550.

Washington, Feb. 28.—(AP)—Conflicting figures showing almost 600,000 army and navy personnel in hospitals, the House leadership moved today to expedite legislation to draft nurses to care for them.

Tentative plans call for final House action Friday on a measure to subject to induction all unmarried nurses not under 25 or over 44 years of age.

Already approved by the Military Committee, the legislation would subject to induction all unmarried nurses not under 25 or over 44 years of age.

In addition, army officials said 6,500 men, some ill or suffering from battle injuries every day, are being returned to the United States for hospitalization at a rate more than 1,000 a day. As a result, the report said, army hospitals in this country are now at a rate of 200 this week. In addition 280,000 army personnel were hospitalized outside the

## MEALS TASTE BETTER WHEN YOU SERVE



BLUE RIBBON BREAD AT YOUR GROCERS and CITY BAKERY



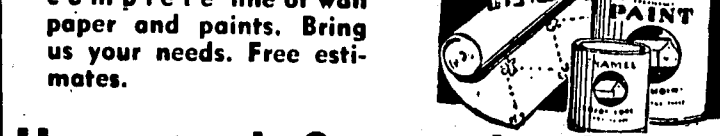
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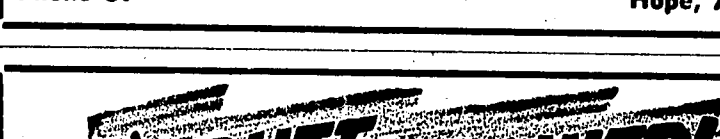
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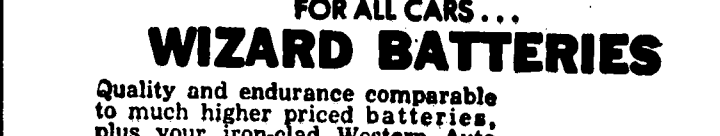
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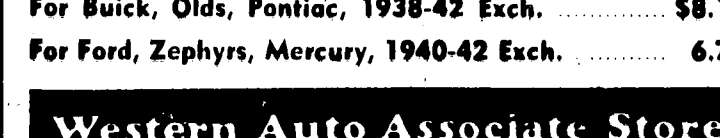
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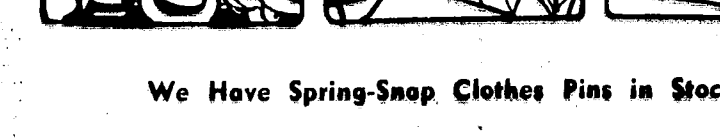
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## This Curious World

By William Ferguson



TUNGSTEN WIRE. MANUFACTURED FOR USE IN THREE-WATT LAMP IS DRAWN SO FINE THAT A POUND WEIGHS 200,000 FEET.



WIRE ROSE. BIENNIAL PLANT OF THE LILY FAMILY GROWN FOR ITS FINE, MANY-LAYERED BUDS. THE DEFINITION FOR WHAT?



ANSWER: An onion.

## Casualty List for Arkansas

Washington, March 1.—(AP)—Fort Arkansas, fighting in the European and Southwest Pacific theaters, have been wounded in action, the War Department announced today.

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## Breeding of Stock Vital at This Time

Hampered county dairymen and other farmers should give special attention to all open cows in their herds and breed them immediately in order for them to freshen this fall, urges County Agent Oliver L. Adams.

"If dairy cows that are scheduled to calve in the fall are properly fed and managed they will produce more milk with a higher butterfat content than cows freshening in the spring," the county agent asserted.

"Increased milk flow, coming in the fall and winter when it is most needed, usually brings a higher price. In addition, when cows freshen in the fall, there is probably a better market for their milk production," he pointed out. "When dry periods occur during this season while there is plenty of sunshine, the cow can replenish the mineral and vitamin reserves in her body and acquire improved health for calving."

The agent said 10 to 15 per cent more milk and butterfat can be obtained by having cows freshen in the fall.

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Cold Preparations as directed

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**WEATHER FORECAST**

Arkansas: Showers this afternoon tonight and Saturday; warmer in northeast and central portions tonight; clear, Sunday.

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# Army Reaches Germany West It in Half

—Europe

BY BOYD D. LEWIS

Paris, March 2 (UP)—The American Ninth Army, crashed through the Rhine near Düsseldorf today in a lightning breakthrough that cut Germany's west front in half.

Following a security blackout that clocked the advance of the Ninth for more than 48 hours, Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower's headquarters revealed that American soldiers had broken through the

## 2nd Landing in Philippines Traps Japs!

and front from their greatest triumph since the victory at St. Mihiel in the summer.

After seven days of advances through the toughest belt of German defenses in the west, the U. S. 83rd Division reached the Rhine and their big guns were firing across the river into the industrial strongholds of Hitler's Reich.

On September 15, the dispatches said the shattered remnants of the German 15th army were fleeing back across the Rhine by ferry and by air and bridge through Allied bombs and bullets with American tanks and infantry pounding in from the rear.

The vanguards of the 83rd Division were now battling through the forests of the Rhine crossing city of Neuss 12 miles west of Dues-

sele. "I took accounts indicating the remnants of the 33rd by passing the river to the south," broke through the German lines and

**BY K. C. DAVID**

Manila, Sept. 15 (UP)—American troops, landing unopposed on Palawan island in the Philippines, yesterday reported that the Japanese had been driven from the island in two today.

Elements of the veteran 1st Division of the Philippine Army, the mile long island, fifth largest and westernmost of the Philippines, with the island of Palawan, are 300 miles long and 300 miles wide and three nearly arid on the east coast.

The successful invasion was the 17th by American forces in the Philippines since the war began. It broke an air and naval blockade across Japan's shipping lanes and was the first of its way for a two-way aerial assault on the Malaya peninsula. Allied forces in the Philippines have already been attacking the peninsula from Burma and India in the past.

Gen. Douglas MacArthur's communication noted significantly that the Japanese had been driven from the island in two today.

There was no immediate indication whether the retreating German troops had time to destroy the railroad spans. The first sweep of the Rhine in Cologne north to Krefeld was carried out by the 1st and 2nd German troops and guns of the American and British divisions, and they found no enemy.

The second sweep of Allied warplanes beat the roads on both sides of the Rhine with bombs and napalm and swooped down to strafe the road-packed Rhine ferries and the bridges.

At the same time a great relief was felt by the 100,000 Americans who had been evacuated because of the threat of Japanese bombers cascaded through 4000 miles of fragmentation and high-explosive bombs down on the Philippines. The Japanese had planned to blow a path for the invasion of Luzon.

*(Continued on Page Two)*

## Light Bombs Reported in City Election

... Voting in Hanoi's municipal pri-

by guerrillas, had completely evacuated the area.

American bombers hammered the capital city and the surrounding area. The Japanese, after the landing and the airstrips were found severely scorched.

The five strips, each with 5,000-foot runways, north of Puerto Princessa and an emergency landing field west of the city, were formed an air base within easy bomber distance from the Japanese bases on Borneo and the entire Malaya peninsula south of Singapore.

At Puerto Princessa, the Americans were only 500 miles from Brunei Bay and Tarakan on the north coast of Borneo.

any election totaled 463 up to 2 o'clock this afternoon, with prospects for a light vote less than an 1,000.

At 2 p.m. the number of votes was:

Ward One (five districts) 176; Ward two (courthouse) 141 (heavy); Ward Three (city hall) 88 (light); Ward Four (hall) 38 (light). There are 40 absentee ballots to be tabulated.

Albert C. Smith, incumbent, and P. Young, seeking the mayorship, were the only candidates from Saigon big naval base on the French Indo-China coast.

The invasion of Vietnam was the westernmost penetration of American forces across the Pacific and in effect the first time since the Japanese troops in the Dutch East Indies from their homeland.

While the attack supposedly the troops met some minor resistance as they pushed into the hills around the Purple Heart Memorialthur's communique said however that losses were "very light."

The operation followed the tactical surprise which has been the keynote of MacArthur's entire offensive throughout the Southwest Pacific.

## am—and They g to Go Home

"We had hamburger," said Pfc. George Kuhn Paterson, N. J. as he looked around the tapestry-hung room which he also was using as a bedroom for the night. "Even if we moved this place to the United States, it would be a first-class place."

Palawan, which had a pre-war population of 45,000 is the principal part of a 450-mile land bridge between Mindoro in the north and Borneo in the south. Northeast of Palawan are the Cuyo islands where P-T boats carrying Mac-

"Why should I?" he asked. "It has a big enough kitchen. However,

Upstairs, T-5 John R. Schumacher, of Dubuque, Iowa, found a bundle of old German money, all valueless.

"Look at that pile of dough," he said. "Five hundred and fifty-five million marks—a fortune if it was only worth a penny."

"Keep it until you get back to Dubugue," suggested Pfc. Steve

Comischock, Drifton, Pa. "Maybe they won't know the difference."  
Corp. James Johnston, Erie, Pa., and Pfc. Joe "Big Chief" Eneas, an Indian from White Swan, Wash., both thought the castle more com-

"It's a good place—but I am just passing through" said "Big Chief."

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